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APPLICANT: WOLFGANG SCHULZ (CIP)
SERIAL NO: 09/765,135 EXAMINER: M. KYONGTAEK
FILED: JANUARY 18, 2001 GROUP: 3600
FOR: CONTROL ELEMENT FOR A NUCLEAR REACTOR

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

ATTN.: BOX NON-FEE AMENDMENT
Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Dear Sir:

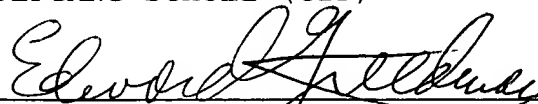
Enclosed, please find copies of four (4) references, which are also listed on the attached PTO-form 1449.

The Reference entitled "Irradiation of Boron Carbide Pellets..." was cited on page 4, second paragraph. The other three enclosed articles discuss the article "Tritium Retention...", which is not available. The remaining references listed on the PTO-Form 1449 are of record and were filed in the parent case on June 14, 1999 under Serial No. 09/265,738.

Since this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed prior to a first Office Action, it is believed that no fee is due. However, if it is determined that a fee is due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge our deposit account number 03-2468, without further authorization.

It is respectfully requested that this Information Disclosure Statement be considered and placed into the application file.

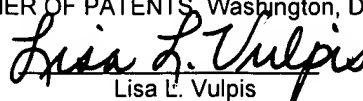
Respectfully submitted,
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Enclosures: PTO-form 1449 w/copies of four (4) references.

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